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Convoy for Freedom Update 46

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MTO Status Updates

MTO MAG: Activated

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No Regional Updates

OPS Building & Operations Issues

- The Toronto Police Service has closed Queen's Park Circle from College Street to Bloor Street. This action is in response to unverified information regarding a possible vehicle demonstration in the downtown core. In response to this potential demonstration, Toronto Police Service has increased its presence in the area of the Precinct.
- 151 Bloor St., Toronto
 - Advised that another truck blockade may be coming to Bloor Street.
 - Access to the building by vehicle may be difficult.
 - Additional security to attend to the building.

Services Disruptions

- [Metrolinx](#)
 - Due to another protestor convoy in Downtown Toronto causing traffic concerns, the decision has been made to once again alter bus service. USBT is still open, but we will now be pushing GO customers to rail to leave and enter Union Station.
 - Just like last weekend's service plan, buses coming from the west will stop at Port Credit GO – and customers will take LSW line into Union, now running every 30 mins express to Union from Port Credit. Buses coming from east will use Jane/407 station.
 - This plan will continue until traffic in the downtown core dies down. As of now, police have shut down Gardiner and DVP into the core. No ETA on reopening time.
 - [Passenger volume overall is light.](#)
- Active construction projects are being monitored for any impacts due to the protests.

- EMS/Hospitals to plan accordingly for this weekend, as inter-facility transfers will take additional time to complete. Non-critical transfers may be delayed until the demonstration is clear of all hospital areas.
- Ford and Toyota on Wednesday both said they were halting some production as anti-coronavirus mandate protesters blocked U.S-Canada border crossings that have prompted warnings from Washington and Ottawa of economic damage.

Municipal Issues

- **Sudbury**
 - Sudbury Police reporting convoy in Sudbury beginning between 10:30-11:00am with demonstration in parking lot of New Sudbury Centre. Police will be on scene
- **Niagara**
 - 200-400 Vehicles in convoy to Fort Erie Peace Bridge
 - QEW Fort Erie Bound closed at Gilmore at 10:30 am
 - NITTEC reports that there is a convoy en route to Buffalo side of border. No other details
 - U.S. convoy was travelling from North Tonawanda to the Peace Bridge
 - TSD are reporting protestors walking on the highway beyond the QEW closure at Central Avenue
 - QEW Fort Erie Convoy is doing a loop at Netherby and heading back towards the closure at Gilmore
 - TSD officers are supporting closure of the QEW on ramps in the closure between Gilmore and the border
- **Strathroy**
 - Truck Convoy with approximately 25 vehicles including 10 tractors. Highway 402 westbound remains closed from Nauvoo road to Forest road as of 07.30 hours February 12th, 2022.
- **North West**
 - At the request of the OPP: Railway street will be temporarily closed at 9th Street
 - 80 to 100 vehicles heading down 130 towards the Pigeon River border. 2 x CMVs, 10 to 16 farm tractors and the remainder are passenger vehicles. No call for assistance as of yet heading North on Fort William road.
 - They are heading down west on Arthur. Moving with traffic.
 - No activity at Nipigon OPP still on site
 - Marina Park - these are rough from social media posted video, corroborated by some observers as the convoy moved through town: about 50-60 vehicles. Most are passenger vehicles, about 5-10 farm tractors, and about 2-3 truck tractors. Generally moving with traffic and not blocking.

- Convoy will not be allowed beyond the parking lot of the tourism information centre at Pigeon River.
- North East
 - Approximately 90 supporters non CMVs have congregated at Pinewood Park Drive still parked at truck stop. Supporters are also lining up along Pinewood Park Drive looks like they are Now on Oak Street and is now turning onto Lakeshore heading toward Pinewood Park direction
- New Liskeard
 - Small local convoy planned in New Liskeard for Saturday, February 19 beginning at 11 AM. Route is 343 Whitewood Avenue to Armstrong Street, to Highway 65, to Highway 11. Route includes approximately 1.5 km of highway. Remainder of route is on municipal roads.
- West – Ingersoll
 - Truck convoy protest commencing from Ingersoll to Woodstock, No highways impacted at the moment
- West - GODERICH
 - Convoy has now dispersed
- West - KINCARDINE
 - Truck Convoy protest of 300 vehicles travelling from Kincardine to Tara occupying Northbound lanes
- Havelock
 - Planned protest, no request from OPP in relation to this but the AMC has been made aware and is prepared.
- Thunder Bay
 - Peaceful protest planned for Thunder Bay beginning at 11:30AM on Saturday, February 12. Tractors will be starting near corner of McCluskey Drive and Highway 130, taking Highway 130 to Arthur St, expecting to reach Arthur St (Twin City Crossroads area) between 12:00-12:15PM. Going from Arthur St. to Waterloo/Balmoral, Balmoral to Harbour Expressway, Expressway to Fort William Rd. Fort William Road to Marina for around 1PM to meet up with Marina to Waverly Park Protest.
- Windsor
 - Police have begun clearing the Ambassador Bridge.
 - [@WindsorPolice Twitter](#): "Enforcement continuing, individuals who are located within the demonstration area are subject to arrest. People are advised to immediately vacate the area."

- Vehicles are being towed
- Tecumseh St. W. to College blocked with protestors
- City to request assistance for Fencing and Jersey Barriers
- Ottawa (Parliament Hill)
 - 4 of MTO officers are assisting Ottawa Police and Transport Canada in Ottawa area for CMV and dangerous goods enforcement.
 - Largest volume of protest vehicles continues to come from Quebec along 417 through Casselman towards Ottawa. All passenger vehicles.
- Oxford County
 - Planned protest for Saturday 12th that may affect on and off ramps on Hwy 401 at Hwy 59 and Hwy 19 starting from 400 Simcoe St. Tillsonburg at 1:00pm.
 - OPP estimates there will be 500 vehicles taking part in the convoy, beginning in Tillsonburg around noon. The expected route will take them through downtown Tillsonburg, north up Highway 19 to Ingersoll, East on Beachville Road/Main Street to Woodstock, and South on Highway 59 to Norwich.
 - We are expecting significant disruptions to vehicle traffic not only on these primary routes but secondary routes as well.
 - OPP have been in contact with Woodstock Police and all area municipal Fire Departments.
- Toronto
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 - Freedom Convoy Toronto: Round Two. Meeting at Queen's Park by 1200 hrs Feb 12th 2022, with the staging areas located at;
 - Vaughn Mills
 - Yorkdale
 - Sherway Gardens
 - Square One
 - Their posts on social media suggests that, in addition to heading into the downtown Toronto Core, they may also be deploying some of their convoy to the 401 corridors through Toronto, to block it.
 - 100 vehicles left Vaughn mills marshalling point
 - At 11:15 am - Vaughan Mills convoy mobile. Approximately 100 vehicles; expecting their destination is QP
 - As of 12:00 noon - TSD has 50 officers patrolling, observing and reporting
 - Toronto RESCU just called and advised full closures on Gardiner EB at Richmond and Parklawn and DVP SB
 - Truck Convoy Toronto Bound on QEW past Cawthra

- [About 130 protest vehicles in Toronto](#)
- [About 850-1000 protestors in the QP area](#)

International Border Issues

- Canada Border Services
 - Due to current border disruptions at certain locations on the Canada-US border, the CBSA will facilitate the movement of commercial goods at other commercial ports of entry without the need to update the “Port of Report” or “Port of Destination” or sub-location codes on already accepted electronic Conveyance, Cargo, or Release documents. Examples:
 - **Highway Carriers** – If a Highway Conveyance and Cargo document(s) are already accepted for Windsor, Ontario (Port code 0453) and the crossing will now occur at Sarnia- Blue Water Bridge, Ontario (Port code 0440), there is not a need to update Port location in this instance and leave as Port Code 0453 as originally declared.
 - **Brokers** – If a release document is accepted for related cargo to be released at Windsor, Ontario (Port code 0453) and the crossing will now occur at Sarnia – Blue Water Bridge, Ontario (Port code 0440), there is not a need to update Port location in this instance and leave as Port Code 0453.
- Windsor
 - No US or Canada bound traffic movement at Ambassador Bridge.
 - Passenger vehicles can still access the tunnel at Windsor/Detroit.
- Niagara
 - Protest planned for Saturday, February 12, 2022 to block Peace Bridge.
 - Meeting at the Costco Parking Lot, Stoney Creek ON (1326 South Service Road, Stoney Creek ON, L8E 5C5) at 0730 departing at 0800.
 - A second convoy is meeting at the Husky Truck Stop Niagara on the Lake (615 York RD) at 0900 departing at 0930.
 - On the New York side, the 1st group is meeting at 900 Young St, Tonawanda NY at 1100 hrs and a 2nd group at Pat Sole Park 888 Columbus PKWY Buffalo NY at 1200 hrs.
 - There is no mention of the Queenston Lewiston Bridge.
- Lansdowne

- Potential activity at the Hwy 137 border crossing Saturday morning. Traffic control crew on standby as requested by OPP.
- Sault Ste. Marie
 - Unconfirmed information of a potential international border blockade on the weekend.
- East - Cornwall
 - A protest at the Canada-U.S. border crossing in Cornwall, Ont. has local police warning of the potential for delays but, so far, traffic across the border has not been blocked.
 - Access on the Ontario side of that border crossing is not a provincial highway. We have a Connecting Link through Cornwall but it ends well before the border. The remainder of roadway to border crossing is municipal.

CBSA Office	Commercial Flow	Travellers Flow
Cornwall Cornwall, ON/Roosevelt, NY	No delay	No delay
Prescott Prescott, ON/Ogdensburg, NY	No delay	No delay
Thousand Islands Bridge Lansdowne, ON/Alexandria Bay, NY	No delay	No delay
Sault Ste. Marie Sault Ste. Marie, ON/Sault Ste. Marie, MI	No delay	No delay
Fort Frances Bridge Fort Frances, ON/International Falls, MN	No delay	No delay
Queenston-Lewiston Bridge Queenston, ON/Lewiston, NY	8 minutes	3 minutes
Rainbow Bridge Niagara Falls, ON/Niagara Falls, NY	Not applicable	6 minutes
Peace Bridge Fort Erie, ON/Buffalo, NY	1 minute	1 minute
Blue Water Bridge	35 minutes	No delay

CBSA Office	Commercial Flow	Travellers Flow
Sarnia, ON/Port Huron, MI		
Windsor and Detroit Tunnel Windsor, ON/Detroit, MI	5 minutes	5 minutes
Ambassador Bridge Windsor, ON/Detroit, MI	Temporarily closed	Temporarily closed